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DITTOPATTERNS LLC,) Case No. 25-10080 ()
Debtor.))
Tax I.D. No. 88-2140452))

MOTION OF DEBTORS FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER (I) DIRECTING THE JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF CHAPTER 11 CASES, AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") state as follows in support of this motion:¹

Relief Requested

1. The Debtors seek entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the "Order"), (a) directing procedural consolidation and joint administration of these

A detailed description of the Debtors and their business, including the facts and circumstances giving rise to the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, is set forth in the *Declaration of Michael Prendergast, Interim Chief Executive Officer of JOANN Inc., in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions* (the "First Day Declaration"), filed contemporaneously herewith and incorporated by reference herein. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the First Day Declaration.

chapter 11 cases and (b) granting related relief. The Debtors request that one file and one docket be maintained for all of the jointly-administered cases under the case of JOANN Inc. (the parent company for each of the Debtors) and that the cases be administered under a consolidated caption, as follows:

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In re:) Chapter 11
JOANN INC., et al.,1) Case No. 25-10068 ()
Debtors.) (Jointly Administered)
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- 2. The Debtors further request that the Court order that the foregoing caption satisfies the requirements set forth in section 342(c)(1) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").
- 3. The Debtors also request that a docket entry, substantially similar to the following, be entered on the docket of each of the Debtors, other than JOANN Inc., to reflect the joint administration of these chapter 11 cases:

An order has been entered in accordance with Rule 1015(b) of the
Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and Rule 1015-1 of the
Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United
States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware directing joint
administration of the chapter 11 cases of: JOANN Inc.,
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Case No. 25-10070 (); Needle Holdings LLC, Case No. 25-
10071 (); Jo-Ann Stores, LLC, Case No. 25-10072 ();

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: JOANN Inc. (5540); Needle Holdings LLC (3814); Jo-Ann Stores, LLC (0629); Creative Tech Solutions LLC (6734); Creativebug, LLC (3208); WeaveUp, Inc. (5633); JAS Aviation, LLC (9570); joann.com, LLC (1594); JOANN Ditto Holdings Inc. (9652); Dittopatterns LLC (0452); JOANN Holdings 1, LLC (9030); JOANN Holdings 2, LLC (6408); and Jo-Ann Stores Support Center, Inc. (5027). The Debtors' mailing address is 5555 Darrow Road, Hudson, Ohio 44236.

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Holdings Inc., Case No. 25-10078 (); Jo-Ann Stores Support
Center, Inc., Case No. 25-10079 (); and Dittopatterns, LLC,
Case No. 25-10080 (). The docket in Case No. 25-10068 ()
should be consulted for all matters affecting this case. All further
pleadings and other papers shall be filed in and all further docket
entries shall be made in the docket of JOANN INC.,
Case No. 25-10068 ().

Jurisdiction and Venue

- 4. The United States District Court for the District of Delaware has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334, which was referred to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") under 28 U.S.C. § 157 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012. The Debtors confirm their consent, pursuant to rule 9013-1(f) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Local Rules"), to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.
 - 5. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 6. The statutory bases for the relief requested herein are section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, rules 1015(b) and 2002 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and Local Rules 1015-1 and 9013-1(m).

Background

7. JOANN Inc., together with its Debtor and non-Debtor affiliates (collectively, "JOANN" or the "Company") is a leading national retailer of sewing, arts and crafts,

and select home décor products. Founded in Cleveland, Ohio, JOANN currently operates in 49 states with approximately 800 stores and 4 distribution centers. For over 80 years, JOANN has fueled the creativity and passion of its customers, the sewists, quilters, crocheters, crafters, and creative enthusiasts, with high quality products and a dedication to customer service.

8. On the date hereof (the "Petition Date"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are operating their business and managing their property as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No request for the appointment of a trustee or examiner has been made in these chapter 11 cases, and no official committees have been appointed or designated.

Basis for Relief

- 9. Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b) provides, in pertinent part, that "[i]f . . . two or more petitions are pending in the same court by or against . . . a debtor and an affiliate, the court may order a joint administration of the estates." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1015. The thirteen Debtor entities that commenced chapter 11 cases are "affiliates," as that term is defined in section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code. Accordingly, the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules authorize the Court to grant the relief requested herein.
- 10. Further, Local Rule 1015-1 provides additional authority for the Court to order joint administration of these chapter 11 cases:

An order of joint administration may be entered, without notice and an opportunity for hearing, upon the filing of a motion for joint administration pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1015, supported by an affidavit, declaration, or verification, which establishes that the joint administration of two or more cases pending in the Court under title 11 is warranted and will ease the administrative burden for the Court and the parties. An order of joint administration entered in accordance with this Local Rule may be reconsidered upon motion of any party in interest at any time. An order of joint administration under this Local Rule is for procedural purposes only and shall not

cause a "substantive" consolidation of the respective debtors' estates.

Del. Bankr. L.R. 1015-1.

- 11. Joint administration is generally non-controversial, and courts in this district routinely order joint administration in cases with multiple related debtors. *See, e.g., In re Am. Tire Distribs., Inc.*, No. 24-12391 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 24, 2024) (directing joint administration of chapter 11 cases); *In re Accuride Corp.*, No. 24-12289 (JKS) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 11, 2024) (same); *In re Tupperware Brands Corp.*, No. 24012156 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. Sept. 20, 2024) (same); *In re Wheel Pros, LLC*, No. 24-11939 (JTD) (Bankr. D. Del. Sept. 10, 2024) (same); *In re Sunpower Corp.*, No. 24-11649 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. Aug. 7, 2024) (same).
- 12. Given the integrated nature of the Debtors' operations, joint administration of these chapter 11 cases will provide significant administrative convenience without harming the substantive rights of any party in interest. Many of the motions, hearings, and orders in these chapter 11 cases will affect each Debtor entity. The entry of an order directing joint administration of these chapter 11 cases will reduce fees and costs by avoiding duplicative filings, objections, or multiple hearings on common issues. Joint administration will also allow the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") and all parties in interest to monitor these chapter 11 cases with greater ease and efficiency.
- 13. Moreover, joint administration will not adversely affect the Debtors' constituencies because this motion seeks only administrative, not substantive, consolidation of the Debtors' estates. Parties in interest will not be harmed by the relief requested; instead, parties in interest will benefit from the (a) cost reductions associated with the joint administration of these chapter 11 cases and (b) ease of reference to one main case docket of JOANN Inc. throughout these chapter

11 cases. Accordingly, the Debtors submit that the joint administration of these chapter 11 cases is in the best interests of their estates, their creditors, and all other parties in interest.

Notice

14. The Debtors will provide notice of this motion to the following parties or their respective counsel: (a) the U.S. Trustee; (b) counsel to the Prepetition Term Loan Agent; (c) counsel to the Prepetition ABL Agent; (d) counsel to the Prepetition FILO Agent; (e) the creditors listed on the Debtors' consolidated list of thirty (30) creditors holding the largest unsecured claims; (f) the United States Attorney for the District of Delaware; (g) the Internal Revenue Service; (h) the state attorneys general for states in which the Debtors conduct business; and (i) any party that is entitled to notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 (collectively, the "Notice Parties"). As this motion is seeking "first day" relief, within two business days of the hearing on this motion, the Debtors will serve copies of this motion and any order entered in respect to this motion as required by Local Rule 9013-1(m). The Debtors submit that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

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WHEREFORE, the Debtors request entry of the Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, (a) granting the relief requested herein and (b) granting such other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

Dated: January 15, 2025 Wilmington, Delaware

/s/ Patrick J. Reilley

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Exhibit A

Proposed Order

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ORDER (I) DIRECTING THE JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF CHAPTER 11 CASES, AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the motion (the "Motion")¹ of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for the entry of an order (this "Order"), (a) directing the joint administration of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases for procedural purposes only and (b) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and the United States District Court for the District of Delaware having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334, which was referred to the Court under 28 U.S.C. § 157 and the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding

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pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and this Court having found that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein, if any, at a hearing before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is granted on final basis as set forth herein.
- 2. The above-captioned chapter 11 cases are consolidated for procedural purposes only and shall be jointly administered by the Court under the docket for Debtor JOANN Inc., Case No. 25-10068 (___).
 - 3. The caption of the jointly administered cases should read as follows:

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JOANN INC., et al., 1) Case No. 25-10068 ()
Debtors.) (Jointly Administered)

- 4. The foregoing caption fully satisfies the policies behind the requirements of section 342(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules 1005 and 2002(o).
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entries shall be made in the docket of JOANN Inc., Case No. 25-10068 ().

- 6. The Debtors shall maintain, and the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware shall keep, one consolidated docket, one file, and one consolidated service list.
- 7. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Order shall be deemed or construed as directing or otherwise effecting a substantive consolidation of these chapter 11 cases and this Order shall be without prejudice to the rights of the Debtors to seek entry of an order substantively consolidating these cases.
- 8. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and such notice satisfies the requirements of the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules.
- 9. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.
- 10. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.